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## 2018 Election

### Voters' Guide for Upcoming June 26 Primary Election

by Chris Rogers-Spatuzzi

The 2018 Maryland Gubernatorial Primary Election on Tuesday, June 26 is less than two weeks away. Early voting opens June 14 and runs through June 21. There are 11 early voting locations in Prince George's County, none of which are in Greenbelt. The closest early voting location is the College Park Community Center, at 5051 Pierce Avenue in College Park.

On Election Day, Greenbelt is split up into five precincts. Residents can find their polling location by typing in their address at [vote411.org/](http://vote411.org/). Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

As this is a primary election, only registered Democrats and Republicans can vote in most of the races, and they must choose only from candidates run-

ning on their party's ballot. The only exception is the Board of Education election, which is technically a non-partisan race, so Democrats, Republicans and those not affiliated with either party can vote for the same slate of candidates.

This primary election covers statewide offices, including governor and lieutenant governor, comptroller, attorney general, U.S. Senate and House of Representatives and state Senate and House of Delegates.

At the county level, offices on the ballot include county executive, some members of the county council, state's attorney, judge and clerk of the circuit court, register of wills, judge

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## Early Voting

Early Voting is open Thursday, June 14 through Thursday, June 21, from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m.

Voters may vote at any early voting center within the county. All of the county's early voting centers are accessible to voters with disabilities.

The closest Greenbelt locations are: VFW Post 8950 Hansen Hall, 9800 Good Luck Road in Lanham and College Park Community Center at 5051 Pierce Avenue.

The other nine locations can be found on the State Board of Elections website.

## 2018 Election

### Veterans Forum Features County Exec Candidates

by Butch Hicks



Seven candidates running for Prince George's County Executive answer questions at the Veterans Forum. From left: Anthony Muse, Tommie Thompson, Paul Monteiro, moderator Betty J. Brown, Jerry Mathis, Donna Edwards, Billy Bridges and Angela Alsobrooks.

Seven candidates running for Prince George's County Executive participated in a Veterans Forum June 7 at the Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 to share how they would address county veterans' issues. The event, sponsored by the Prince

George's County Commission for Veterans, had more than 100 veterans and family members listening to candidates Angela Alsobrooks, Billy Bridges, Donna Edwards, Jerry Mathis, Paul Monteiro, Anthony Muse and Tommie Thompson respond to

audience-submitted questions.

With a projected 2018 Maryland veteran population of 380,000, with approximately 60,000 residing in Prince George's County, the forum was

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### Magnolia Performing Arts Club Soars to Neverland

by Donna L. Hoffmeister

Three hundred pre-kindergartners to third graders at Magnolia Elementary School succumbed to fairy dust Monday morning, while 30 of their talented classmates performed the play Peter Pan, Jr. Two earlier performances for the public took place May 23 and May 25. Would that every play have such an adoring audience. Any deception tickled them. When Wendy suggests tricking their parents by not going to sleep, the audience giggles in complicity. When Peter throws away his arrow so that he could not be accused of killing Wendy,

## What Goes On

Monday, June 18

8 p.m., City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

Wednesday, June 20

7:30 p.m., Park & Recreation Advisory Board, Community Center

8 p.m., Council Worksession concerning Green Ridge House Admission Policy, Community Center

Thursday, June 21

7 p.m., Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Public Works Facility



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Nkeng Mercy Tazi (Pirate, Grade 3), Brianna Obeng-Agei (Captain Hook, Grade 3), Fatoumata Diallo (Slightly, a Lost Boy, Grade 5)

the audience quickly laughs at the deceit. And when Peter Pan starts to drink the poison Captain Hook has left for him, the audience shouts "No!" This top-notch cast had an audience to match.

Maliq White (Grade 6) accurately plays the free-spirited, fearlessly cocky Peter Pan, singing and moving confidently and

staying in character, even when not speaking. The Prince George's County Public Schools Creative and Performing Arts School in Hyattsville recently accepted him into its middle school.

Heba Mobaidan (Grade 5) convincingly plays the mature,

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### New Painted Magazine Box Brings Public Art to Bus Stop

by Micah and Dena Seidel

This past Saturday, Greenbelt Mayor Emmett Jordan, members of the Greenbelt Arts Council and residents gathered to celebrate the unveiling of a new public work of art. Not a sculpture, not a mural, but a beautified former newspaper container painted by community member Elizabeth Barber.

"This is a special moment when art in a public space inspires unity within our community," said Jordan. The newspaper container located at the bus stop

on Southway at Crescent Road is now being used to share free magazines. "I got the idea one day when I was sitting at the bus stop and a man next to me said he wished he had something to read," said Barber. The box is painted on all four sides including a mural of Greenbelt Lake on the back. Jordan said, "I'm a big believer in public art and would

love to see more public works of art in Greenbelt."

Barber and other local artists feel the same way and are hoping to make the process of displaying art in the community easier. Greenbelt resident Shaymar Higgs, a member of the Arts Advisory Board, filled the container with issues of Popular

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PHOTO BY DENA SEIDEL

Elizabeth Barber (left), Councilmember Leta Mach and Mayor Emmett Jordan unveil the magazine container.

# Letters to the Editor

## Greenbelt CARES Saved My Life

I recently suffered some panic attacks and was feeling depressed. I received crisis counseling from Greenbelt CARES. I got the help I wanted and needed. I am grateful for the services I've received from CARES. Another great thing about Greenbelt!

I want to be a voice for others who may be struggling. There is help available.

Local resources:  
Greenbelt Cares: 301-345-6660  
Prince George's County. crisis hotline: 301-429-2185

Prince George's County. Crisis Talk: 301-864-7161

Text CONNECT to 741741 from anywhere in the USA, anytime, about any type of crisis.

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

National Alliance on Mental Illness: [www.namipgc.org](http://www.namipgc.org)

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention: <http://afsp.org/>  
Our lives matter,

Danielle Li'l Dan Celdran

## Thanks

Just a note of thanks to the Greenbelt Public Works Department for the work that was done near our home recently during the sidewalk and curb restoration project in Lakewood. Their timely and efficient work was greatly appreciated by us. Thank you.

Barry and Sharon Miller

## Plant a "Paris Grove"

June 1 was the anniversary of President Trump's announcement that he would withdraw the United States from the Paris Climate Accord. Over the last 12 months, many states, communities and organizations throughout our country have demonstrated their continuing support for this worldwide agreement. This summer the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, meeting in Austin, will consider a resolution to establish "Paris Groves" at each of its 85 camp and conference centers as one way to stand with other civil society partners committed to the Climate Accord.

The concept of Paris Groves is simple and can be easily adapted by Greenbelt and other cities. Simply plant a grove of trees that will both serve as a visible

witness to the Paris Accord and do the practical work of sequestration of carbon from the atmosphere. Partners in organizing a Paris Grove project can include city government, local schools, environmental groups, houses of worship, businesses and other organizations. Individuals and families can donate trees as memorials and thanksgivings.

The planting of trees is an act of hope, a gift to future generations and a commitment to care for creation. In particular, a Paris Grove is a visible way to affirm a worldwide commitment that needs to be honored throughout the United States. Will the Greenbelt community stand up in this way to support environmental sanity?

Greenbelt is a living legacy of the New Deal and rightly celebrates that heritage. Only recently did I learn that Franklin Roosevelt, when registering to vote in Hyde Park, N.Y. listed his occupation as "tree grower." It's said that during his lifetime he planted 300,000 trees.

Charles Hoffacker

## Nominations for 2018 Outstanding Citizen

Behind every successful nonprofit organization in Greenbelt is a team of volunteers. Without volunteers, the city's cooperatives would not function. Without concerned citizens who freely give their time, the City of Greenbelt would not benefit from the work and feedback provided by its Advisory Committees. Volunteers run youth programs. Without their leadership, sports programs and scout programs would be impossible. Volunteers shuttle senior citizens to their medical appointments.

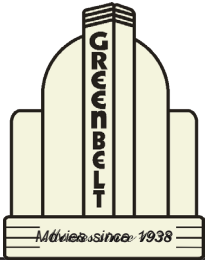
To all volunteers, thank you for what you do. Volunteerism is the very soul of the Greenbelt Community. Greenbelt's Labor Day Festival is a time for residents to recognize and honor volunteers for their selfless contributions and recognize their irreplaceable impact of their time and energy.

The opening ceremonies of Greenbelt's Labor Day Festival will include the announcement of Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen for 2018. Besides recognition and congratulatory proclamations, the

honoree serves as the Grand Marshal for the Labor Day Parade.

A committee selects 2018's Outstanding Citizen, but that selection is made from nominations submitted from the community. Identifying that special person in the city of citizen volunteers requires input from citizens like you! Help identify this year's Outstanding Citizen by completing the nomination form (on page 13). Describe, in your own

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THE SEAGULL (CC)  
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Fri. 2:30, 5:15 PM  
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Wed. 2:30, 5:15 PM  
Thurs. 5:15 PM

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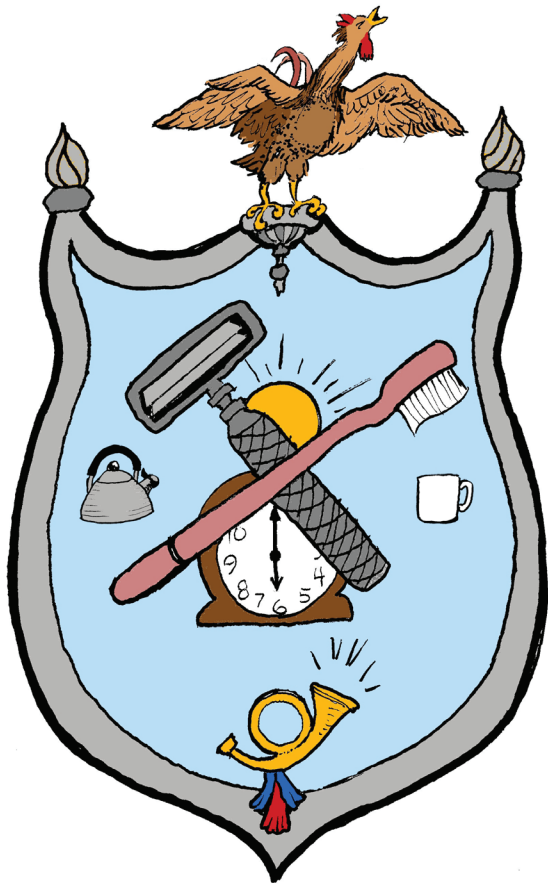
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(Spanish w/ Subtitles) (R)  
(104 mins)  
Sun. 1:00 PM

Stage on Screen:  
VINCENT VANGOGH -  
A New Way of Seeing  
(2015) (92 mins)  
Sun. 8:15 PM  
Mon. 1:00 PM

School's Out:  
DESPICABLE ME 3  
FREE! (2017)  
(PG) (90 mins)  
Thurs. 1:00 PM

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MORNING PERSON'S COAT OF ARMS.

Pete Reppert

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## On Screen

## Sympathy for the Bedeviled

Joining First Reformed at Old Greenbelt Theatre this Friday, June 15, is The Seagull, a movie version of Anton Chekhov's first play. Set in a lakeside Russian estate, this bittersweet, comically semi-tragic movie is populated by a bevy of intense, yearning, arrogant, fragile guests who lack self-awareness and all seem to be in love with others who love others. Annette Bening (Irina), an aging diva actress, Saoirse Ronan (Nina), a delicate ingenue, Elisabeth Moss (Masha) a depressed semi-alcoholic, Corey Stoll (Trigorin), a celebrated writer, all give finely etched, brilliant performances.

Chekhov's trademark sympathy saturates this hive of jealousy as it wrestles with issues of the importance of art, the pursuit of fame, the nature of human folly and the eternal desire to lead a meaningful life.

Initially booed by the audience in 1894, The Seagull was successfully resuscitated by Stanislavsky in 1896, after which Chekhov penned his masterpieces Uncle Vanya, The Cherry Orchard and Three Sisters.

Masha has some of the most delicious lines. Asked why she always wears black, she says "I am in mourning. For myself."

Director: Michael Mayer

Writer: Stephen Karam

Rating: PG-13

Running Time: 1 hour 38 minutes

- Jim Link

# Community Events

## Rescheduled: VERSO Art Workshop on Sat

Join Greenbelt artist Shaymar Higgs and create a unique art panel using spray paint and an acrylic sheet. This Greenbelt Recreation workshop has been rescheduled for Saturday, June 16 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. Registration is open to ages 15 and up. Participants can register in advance for activity #343400-1, either online via [greenbeltnmd.gov/arts](http://greenbeltnmd.gov/arts) or at the Community Center or Youth Center business office. Walk-up registration will also be accepted on a space-available basis for Greenbelt residents. A parent or guardian’s authorization is needed for all participants under age 18. This workshop is free for Greenbelt residents. Non-residents may register in advance for a nominal fee.

Shaymar Higgs is an experienced graffiti-style painter and a fiber artist inspired by the rich history of American quilt-making. See how these influences are fused in his contemporary, graphic compositions, and cultivate a personal style of expression. No prior art training is necessary.

The Springhill Lake Recreation Center is located at 6101 Cherrywood Lane. This program will be held outdoors; in case of inclement weather, call 301-474-0646 for program information.

## Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215.

All meals, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of June 18 are as follows:

Monday, June 18: Sliced roast beef with gravy, whipped potatoes, California blend vegetables, wheat roll, brownie, fresh fruit, cranberry juice.

Tuesday, June 19: Site closed.  
Wednesday, June 20: Sweet and sour meatballs, confetti rice, sliced carrots, wheat bread, fresh fruit, cranberry juice.

Thursday, June 21: Sliced turkey with gravy, Delmonico potatoes, Brussels sprouts, dinner roll, applesauce, grape juice.

Friday, June 22: BBQ chicken thigh, black-eyed peas, collard greens, biscuit, peaches and pears, orange juice.

## Greenbriar Outreach Group Potluck Picnic

On Saturday, June 16, from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Greenbriar Outreach Group is celebrating its one-year anniversary. Meet at the picnic tables behind the Greenbriar Community Building. Bring food to share. Free and welcome to all. Rain date: June 23 from 2 to 4 p.m.; if in doubt call 516-835-0554. News Flash: to sign up for bus tour of Old Greenbelt on Saturday, June 23 from 2 to 4 p.m., email: [janemullaney@yahoo.com](mailto:janemullaney@yahoo.com).

## Tennis Tournament To Be Held June 23

On Saturday, June 23 starting at 9 a.m., and continuing on June 24 if necessary, the Greenbelt Tennis Association (GTA) will sponsor a singles tennis tournament at Braden Field. The entry deadline is Wednesday, June 20. There is a fee for entry, with a reduced fee for GTA members. Players may sign up via GTA’s website ([greenbelt.com/tennis](http://greenbelt.com/tennis)) or by calling 301-802-4336. Light refreshments will be served and prizes will be awarded.

## Hospice Discussion Looks at Pet Loss

This month, the group discussion hosted by Community Hospices and moderated by bereavement counselor Margaret Capurso will focus on pet loss. The discussion is held on the last Tuesday of each month. This month’s discussion will be held on Tuesday, June 26 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 114. Bring a picture or favorite toy for the memorial table.

## GES Will Not Host Summer Playground

Due to a summer construction project, Greenbelt Elementary School cannot host the M-NCP-PC Summer Playground Program this summer. Other sites are listed on the Prince George’s Parks website ([pgparks.com/662/Summer-Playground-Locations](http://pgparks.com/662/Summer-Playground-Locations)).



## Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will meet on Wednesday, June 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads. The group offers professionals, students, stay-at-home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills in communication and leadership. For more information call 240-542-8625.

## St. Hugh’s Annual Rummage Sale

St. Hugh’s annual rummage sale will take place Saturday and Sunday, June 23 and 24, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come and look around; there is something for everyone.

## Star Party Saturday

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, free and open to the public, on Saturday, June 16 at the City Observatory located at Northway Fields. This event, not on our 2018 schedule, is intended to make up for three successive clouded-out events. Attendees may expect to see Jupiter, Saturn and a number of deep sky objects (galaxies, nebulae and star clusters), viewed through the observatory telescope and astronomical camera, and are welcome to set up their own telescopes on the hill.

Observing will begin around 9:30 p.m. and continue for about two hours. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.



## Reel and Meal At the New Deal

On June 18, the Reel & Meal at the New Deal film series will feature The Nuns, the Priests and the Bombs, Helen Young’s 2017 film about Plowshares activists who walked peacefully into a shoot-to-kill zone at U.S. nuclear weapons facilities to draw attention to the worldwide nuclear arms threat. The program will start at 7 p.m. at the New Deal Café, following an optional buffet served from 6:30 p.m. for a fee.

The Plowshares Movement references the Book of Isaiah’s call to “hammer their swords into plowshares,” i.e., to end all wars. Two of the anti-nuclear activists who appear in the film, Sister Megan and Michael Walli, each convicted for their role in the break-in at the highly enriched uranium facility in Oak Ridge, will be present to talk about their resistance and what is needed today to prevent all-out nuclear war.

The Prince George’s County Peace & Justice Coalition plans this program; for information see [justpeacepg@earthlink.net](mailto:justpeacepg@earthlink.net). Those coming for the meal are asked to RSVP at the R&M Facebook event or the New Deal Café website. The other local sponsors of the series are Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group, Utopia Film Festival and Green Vegan Networking.

## Writers Celebrate Peace Month

The Greenbelt Writers group will meet this Friday, June 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. This meeting coincides with Peace Month and will feature open readings about peace in poetry and prose. If there’s time, participants will also share favorite words that were used in their writing. Light refreshments will be served. All writers are welcome to attend. For more information, contact Barbara Ford at [barb.ford@comcast.net](mailto:barb.ford@comcast.net).

## At MakerSpace

Save the date. Repair Cafe is back June 23.

Friday, June 15: Minecraft Night from 5 to 8 p.m. Changes are being made to Minecraft worlds; a MakerSpace community built multiverse of unlimited territory to explore, play and survive. Folks, kids and adults, are invited to help test the new environment. Join in this Friday, from 5 to 8 p.m. Bring a laptop and/or Minecraft account, or use one of our 20 systems.

Saturday, June 16: Teen Makers from 10 a.m. to noon.

Sunday, June 17: Animation Meetup from noon to 2 p.m.

Tuesday, June 19: Thoughtful Discussion Group meetup from 7 to 9 p.m. This apolitical, non-religious discussion group meets weekly for friendly intense discussions. This group is not appropriate for children (thoughtful teenagers, however, are welcome) as intense listening, support and cheerful banter are expected. A topic is provided for each meeting.

Wednesday, June 20: Fiber Fans from 6 to 9 p.m.

More Community Events  
are located throughout  
the paper.

## Telescope Is Focus Of ASG Presentation

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt invites all to learn the latest about the James Webb Space Telescope at a presentation by Michael D. McClare of the Goddard Space Flight Center. He is NASA’s lead media producer for the James Webb Telescope mission. His team’s main objective is to inform the general public about the James Webb Space Telescope, including its science and mission progress, through the use of videography, animation and storytelling. He has been working with the James Webb Space Telescope mission since leaving a similar position with the Hubble Space Telescope mission in 2009.

The presentation will take place on Thursday, June 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 114.

## Mamas and Papas Meet Every Friday

Every Friday, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the Mamas & Papas Friday Parent Meetup occurs at the New Deal Café. The meetup is an informal social gathering of new parents, expecting parents and caregivers for children ranging from birth to toddler. Discussions include helpful sleeping techniques, teething, how to get rest and local resources. Infants and toddlers are always welcomed.

## Roosevelt Democrats Club Holds Picnic

The Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club’s annual picnic will take place Saturday, June 30 at 3 p.m. at Schrom Hills Park. Hot dogs, burgers, fruit, salad, tea, lemonade, sodas and water will be served. Meet with friends from the club and the community to discuss the June 26 primary election results. The club hopes to have a ball game or two and encourages those who would like to play catch to bring a ball and glove.

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Obituaries

Lea Mirabella

Lea Mirabella was born on November 8, 1913 in Archangel, Russia, and died in Eugene, Ore., on May 8, 2018. Her 104 years were spent using her immense talents in music, art and writing to benefit and enrich the lives of many people.

She arrived in New York on her sixth birthday and grew up studying piano and art. She won the New York City Piano Competition and after graduating high school at age 16, attended the National Academy of Design where she met her future husband, William Mirabella. She then attended Hunter College, studying music and art.

The Mirabellas moved to Washington, D.C., where she gave birth to twins, Sandra and Christine. The Mirabellas were early Greenbelters, living at 35-J Ridge Road for many years. When they needed more room for Mrs. Mirabella's teaching (they had two pianos, one being a grand), they moved to a larger house on Crescent Road. That house was on the hill and had a basement, giving them three stories.

She did her graduate work at Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore where she was offered a job on the teaching faculty. She declined because of difficult logistics and opened a piano studio at her home. She started and belonged to many music groups, including the National Guild of Piano Teachers and six Music Teacher National Association groups. She created many festivals, competitions and music games and had numerous award-winning students. The groups named two competitions in her honor when she moved to Oregon in 1980.

She continued her piano teaching and infused life and activities into the Eugene District of the Oregon Music Teachers Association. She continued her superb piano performance activities until her hearing deteriorated.

Mrs. Mirabella had four grandchildren: Andrew and Nicholas Richards, and Matthew and Corissa Weaver, and six great-grandchildren. There will be a celebration of her life at her home on July 1.

Elsie Nyrop Forbes



Elsie N. Forbes

PHOTO COURTESY OF FORBES FAMILY

Elsie Nyrop Forbes died on May 31, 2018. She was born December 7, 1917 in Nebraska. She moved to Greenbelt in 1986 and lived in University Square, Greenbelt Homes Inc. and later with her daughter's family in Lakewood. She was active in the Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Democratic Club and later became active in the Golden Age Club. She also helped her grandson deliver the News Review in Lakewood for a few years. Due to several falls and dementia Mrs. Forbes had resided in a nursing home for the past five years, but still attended many Greenbelt events.

She was such a friendly and memorable person that many employees at the Co-op and post office, as well as people who just knew her from her daily walks, would ask about her. She was a mother to seven children, grandmother to 15 and a great-grandmother to many. She was a passionate advocate for those with no voice, a fabulous cook, a lover of all animals, a naturalist with an incredible green thumb and a feisty spirit.

There will be a celebration of Mrs. Forbes' life on Sunday, June 24 at 4 p.m. at Buddy Attick

Park. Meet at the peninsula, share fond memories and join in a walk around the lake, rain or shine.

A graveside burial was held on Monday, June 4 in Aquasco, Md. Memorial donations may be mailed to Holy Cross Adult Day Care made out to the Robert J. Grossman Scholarship Fund, in memory of Elsie Nyrop Forbes. The address is 9805 Dameron Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20902.

*Editor's Note: This obituary is reprinted with a new photo because last week's photo was blurry.*

Free Support Group For Widowed Persons

A free support group to help men and women who have recently lost their spouses will begin Thursday, June 28 at the Community Center. The sessions will be offered from 7 to 9 p.m. each Thursday for six weeks. Registration is requested before the group starts. To get more information and to register, contact 301-693-5210 or wisboy929@yahoo.com. This support group is presented by Patuxent Widowed Persons Service and is supported by the Greenbelt Senior Citizens Advisory Committee and other community organizations.

Trained volunteers who have also been widowed will conduct the sessions. The participants share personal experiences, exchange information and discuss published materials prepared by bereavement specialists. In the past, many persons dealing with their new circumstances after losing a wife or husband have received great benefits from the insights, emotional support, practical information and friendships provided by such groups.

GHI Notes

Thursday, June 14, 7 p.m., Finance Committee Meeting, Board Room.

Friday, June 15, office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

Tuesday, June 19, 7:30 p.m., Companion Animal Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby;

7:30 p.m., Legislative and Government Affairs Committee Meeting, Board Room.

Wednesday, June 20, 7 p.m., Bicycle Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby;

7 p.m., Woodlands Committee Meeting, Board Room.

Thursday, June 21, 7:45 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room;

GDC Stockholder's Meeting (immediately following the GHI Executive Session), Board Room.

Saturday, June 23, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation, Board Room.



Free Diabetes Support Group

Doctors Community Hospital will hold a free diabetes support group on Monday, June 18 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be at 8100 Good Luck Road on the 5th floor of the North Building. To register, call 301-552-8661.



Congratulations to the following students from Eleanor Roosevelt High School who received Honors from the Prince George's County Board of Education: Julia Chotoo, Tori Stanley, Jamia Mason, Jerald Matthew Garcia and Jacob Landau.

Kudos to Greenbelters Zainab Akindele, Inaya Andrews, Joanne Angbazo, Mauricia Brown, Nelson Chen, Juliet Jack, Ray Jefferies, Tijuana Jordan, Grace Kemgang, Jimmy Kemgang, Noella Mbah, Kareemah Mustafa, Nkemdilim Ogunye, Adaeze Okoroajuzie, Bob Okoroajuzie, Condidence Okoroajuzie, Nishwath Samiya, Ousmane Sylla and Timothy Yelton. All are recipients of scholarships awarded by Anne Healey, State Delegate from District 22, Prince George's County, for the academic year 2018-2019. The selections were based on the applicant's strong academic profile and exemplary record of community service.

Share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.



**Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church**  
40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt  
Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors  
www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410  
Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



**Worship Service 10 a.m.**  
**Happy Father's Day!**

**Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church**  
3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi  
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**June 17 10 a.m.**  
**"MUSIC FOR OUR LIVES"**

*The PBUUC Choir led by David Chapman, Music Director and pianist; with Rev. Rachel Christensen, Minister; Jeri Holloway, Worship Associate; and special solo performers and guest musicians.*

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**Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ**



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Whoever you are and wherever you are on your Spiritual journey, you are welcome HERE.

Join us this Sunday at 10:15

**"Why worry? What does the Bible say about Anxiety?"**

1 Hillside Road, Greenbelt 301-474-6171 Rev. Glennyce Grindstaff

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10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 301-474-4223

An unpretentious, historic, welcoming, liberal, egalitarian synagogue that respects tradition and becomes your extended family in the 21st century.

Shabbat services: Friday evening at 8:00 PM, except 1st Friday of the month, i.e. family service at 7:00 PM. Saturday morning services at 9:30 AM. Educational programs for children K-12 and for adults. Combined innovative full family educational program for parents and children. Conversion classes. Concert choir. Social Action program. Opportunity for leadership development. Moderate, flexible dues. High holiday seating for visitors. Sisterhood. Men's Club. Other Social Activities. Interfaith families are welcome.

Historic synagogue dually affiliated with United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation

**Obituaries**


The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. We try to include information about participation in various activities and organizations, where the person lived and something about the family. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.

**Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS**

Sundays 10 A.M.  
Municipal Building

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Greenbelt.Bahai.Info@gmail.com www.greenbeltbahais.org

**ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770  
301-474-4322



**Mass Schedule:**  
**Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.**  
**Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.**  
**Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.**  
**Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.**

**Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe**

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**Come worship God with us!**  
**Sunday School 9:45AM**  
**Worship Service 11:00AM**

101 Greenhill Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770  
(301) 474-4212 www.greenbeltbaptist.org

**At the Library**

Libraries Rock! is the 2018 Summer @ Your Library theme for all ages from infancy through adult. Sign up to participate now through August 19 by going to [pgcmis.beanstack.org](http://pgcmis.beanstack.org). Play online or on paper. Starting June 18, come into the local library branch to get a registration prize. Complete reading and library activities to earn points, badges and prizes throughout the summer. When finished, collect a final prize at any Prince George's County branch library. People who register will also be automatically entered into the grand prize drawing.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB). Monday, June 18, 4 p.m., ages 13 to 18, limit 15 participants. Volunteer and work together to make the library a better place for teens by talking about books, music and movies and by suggesting what should be in the collection. Registration required; contact the library either in person or by calling 301-345-5800. (TAB will meet weekly on Monday afternoons.)

English Conversation Club. Tuesday, June 19, 6 p.m. Learning to speak English? Join this club and practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds. (This club meets weekly on Tuesday evenings.)

Weekly Ready 2 Read Storytimes. Tuesday, June 19, ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m., limit 20 people. Wednesday, June 20, ages 3 to 5, 10:15 a.m., limit 20 people; ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m., limit 20 people. Thursday, June 21, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s); ages 2 to 3, 4:15 p.m., limit 20 people.

Community Book Discussion. Tuesday, June 19, 7 p.m. Join friends and neighbors to discuss great contemporary books. The selection for June is *The Girls of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women Who Helped Win World War II*, by Denise Keirnan.

STEM-tastic: Makey Makey Instruments. Saturday, June 23, 3 p.m., ages 5 to 12. Come learn about and play with Makey Makey, a device that can turn household objects into instruments. Drop in for hands-on experiments and activities.



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# City Information

**GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**, June 18 at 8pm, Municipal Building

**ORGANIZATION**

Call to Order

Roll Call

Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Consent Agenda – Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by \*] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)

Approval of Agenda and Additions

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Presentations

Petitions and Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

- YAC Member request for funding to attend the November 2018 NLC Conference – Arsalan Siddiqui

Minutes of Council Meetings

- Administrative Reports
- \* -Committee Reports
  - Community Relations Advisory Board, Report (Evaluation of FY19 Recognition Group Applications)
  - Advisory Planning Board, Report #2018-03 (Condominium Housing – 7010 Greenbelt Road)

**LEGISLATION**

- End of the Year Budget Adjustments
  - 1st Reading, Suspension of the Rules
  - 2nd Reading, Adoption
- A Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of Certain Goods and Services from Various Vendors as Enumerated Herein When Total Fiscal Year Purchases from Each Vendor Exceed Ten Thousand Dollars
- 1st Reading

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- Park and Recreation Advisory Board – Request to Reduce Number of Members
- \* - Resignation from Advisory Groups
- Council Activities
- Council Reports

**MEETINGS**-Schedule future meetings

**MEETINGS FOR JUNE 18-22**

Monday, June 18 at 8:00pm, **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING** at Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at [www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv)

Wednesday June 20 at 7:30pm, **PARK & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD** at Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Dog park discussion, Dog park recommendation*

Wednesday, June 20 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Green Ridge House Admission Policy** at Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Thursday, JUNE 21 at 7:00pm, **FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD** at Public Works Facility, 555 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Stewardship Guidelines, Discussion of Section 2 Trails of the Stewardship Guidelines, Discussion of News Review Letter to the Editor about children “hunting” raccoons in the forest*

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.



**The Federal Theatre and Greenbelt**

Featuring the 80th anniversary performance of Betty Smith's What Are You Going To Be?

**Saturday, June 23 at 7 pm**

**Sunday, June 24 at 3 pm**

**Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road**

\$5 Admission, Advance sales: 301-397-2208

The Greenbelt Museum and Greenbelt Recreation present a program of lively scenes and songs from shows created by the WPA's Federal Theatre during Greenbelt's first years, with commentary by host Chris Cherry. Betty Smith's one-act play, presented 80 years ago by the Greenbelt Players, will be performed.



Greenbelt Recreation Invites you!

**Free Friday Fun!**

**Roller-skate!**

**Springhill Lake Recreation Ctr.**

**June 15, 2018**

**5:00pm-7:00pm**

Ages: 6-14 years and parents/guardians

Roller-skates provided free of charge or bring your own.

Call 301-397-2212 or 301-397-2200 for more info.

**FOOD FOREST VOLUNTEER DAY**

**Sat, June 23, 2018**



**Springhill Lake Recreation Center**

**6101 Cherrywood Ln, Greenbelt, MD 20770**

**10AM – 12:30PM**

Volunteers are needed for a service-learning workday to help clear the Food Forest of weeds and invasive species.

**Reminders:**

- Bring and a reusable water bottle
- Wear weather-appropriate clothing and closed-toe shoes
- Students: bring community-service forms

**Questions?** Contact Public Works CCC Member Maryam El-Amin at [Mel-amin@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:Mel-amin@greenbeltmd.gov) or 240-542-2150



Go to [www.greenbeltmd.gov/infowall](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/infowall) to access all city social media!

**BATIK WORKSHOP**

**353221-1**

**Saturday, June 16 & Sunday, June 17**

**11:00am-3:00pm**

**Greenbelt Community Center, Room 113**



Batik is an ancient Indonesian technique of using hot wax and natural dyes to create stunning hand drawn patterns on fabric. In this introductory course students will learn the history of batik fabrics and get a hands-on introduction to the tools and techniques used to make them.

Each participant will design a 2 foot square piece of fabric (perfect for pillows and baby quilts!) using traditional Indonesian batiking tools, hot wax, and indigo. This class is perfect for folks who enjoy the repetitive, meditative art practices like quilting, life drawing, and beading which require a high level of focus over an extended period of time.

**Ages 12+, R: \$152, NR: \$198**

**Instructor: Omolara Williams McAllister**

**Call 240-542-202 for more information.**

**FILM PRESENTATION: A TREE GROWS IN BROOKLYN**

**Old Greenbelt Theatre, 129 Centerway**

**Monday, June 25, 7:00pm-9:15pm, FREE**

The film adaptation of Betty Smith's famous novel was the directing debut of Elia Kazan, and it stars Dorothy McGuire, along with James Dunn and Peggy Ann Garner, both of whom won Academy Awards for their performances. Prior to writing the novel, Smith had sketched its protagonist and her family in a one-act play written for the Federal Theatre Project, which was performed in Greenbelt in 1938.

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of the orphans’ court, sheriff and board of education. Additionally, party members will vote for at-large positions for their party’s central committee.

Here’s a rundown of each office on the ballot, and the candidates for each one.

**Governor/Lieutenant Governor**

**Democratic candidates:**

Rushern L. Baker III, Prince George’s County, and Elizabeth Embry, Baltimore City; rushernbaker.com. Baker has been the Prince George’s County Executive since 2016 and has also served in the Maryland House of Delegates.

Ralph Jaffe, Baltimore County, and Freda Jaffe, Baltimore County; fedupwithcrookedpolitics.com. Jaffe is a political science teacher whose main platform is political reform.

Ben Jealous, Baltimore City, and Susan Turnbull, Montgomery County; benjealous.com. Jealous has spent most of his career working in businesses and civil rights.

James Hugh Jones II, Baltimore City, and Charles S. Waters, Baltimore City. Jones has no political experience but has an interest in law enforcement. Website: none listed.

Rich Madaleno, Montgomery County, and Luwanda Jenkins, Baltimore County; madalenoformaryland.com. Madaleno is a state senator.

Alec Ross, Baltimore City, and Julie C. Verratti, Montgomery County; alecross.com. Ross is a teacher who also has experience in industry.

Jim Shea, Baltimore County, and Brandon M. Scott, Baltimore City; jimshea.com. Shea is a partner at a large law firm.

Krish O’Mara Vignarajah, Montgomery County, and Sharon Blake, Baltimore City; krishformaryland.com. Vignarajah is a former policy director for Michelle Obama.

Kevin Kamenetz’s name will appear on the ballot, but he died on May 10, and his running mate, Valerie Ervin, withdrew from the election on June 13.

**Republican candidates:**

Larry Hogan, Anne Arundel County, and Boyd K. Rutherford, Howard County; larryhogan.com. (Unopposed) Hogan is the incumbent governor.

**Comptroller**

**Democratic candidate:**

Peter Franchot, Montgomery County; franchot.com. Franchot was elected comptroller of Maryland in 2006, and has held the position ever since.

**Republican candidate:**

Anjali Reed Phukan, Worcester County; mscomptroller.weebly.com. Phukan, an Ocean City resident, is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and is running unopposed on the Republican ticket.

**Attorney General**

**Democratic candidate:**

Brian E. Frosh, Montgomery County; brianfrosh.com. Frosh was elected Maryland’s attorney general in 2014, and is running unopposed as the incumbent.

**Republican candidate:**

Craig Wolf, Howard County; wolf4ag.com. Wolf is an international law officer with the 354th Civil Affairs Brigade in Riverdale and has worked as state and federal prosecutor.

**U.S. Senator**

**Democratic candidates:**

Ben Cardin, Baltimore County;

bencardin.com. Cardin, the incumbent, has been in the Senate since 2006.

Erik Jetmir, Bowie; erikjetmir.com.

Chelsea Manning, Rockville; xychelsea.is. Manning is known for releasing classified government documents to Wikileaks. She was convicted but pardoned by President Obama in 2017.

Marcia H. Morgan, Chevy Chase.; marciahmorgan.com.

Jerome “Jerry” Segal, Silver Spring; segalforsenate.org.

Richard “Rikki” Vaughn, Baltimore City; rikkivaughn.com.

Debbie “Rica” Wilson, Waldorf; politicalbank.com/find-candidates/debbie-wilson.

Lih Young, Rockville; twitter.com/DR\_LIH\_YOUNG.

**Republican candidates:**

Tony Campbell, Baltimore County; campbell4maryland.com.

Chris Chaffee, Prince Frederick; chrischaffee4usenate.com.

Evan M. Cronhardt, Severn; evancronhardt.com.

Nnabu Eze, Baltimore County; nnabueze.com.

John R. Graziani, Millersville; facebook.com/grazianiforsenate.

Christina J. Grigorian, Bethesda; grigorianforsenate.com.

Albert Binyahmin Howard, Annapolis; howardformaryland.com.

Bill Krehnbrink, Perry Hall; redmaryland.com/2018/03/candidate-survey-bill-krehnbrink-us-senate.

Gerald I. Smith, Jr., Elkton; humanrightssupport.com/home.html.

Blaine Taylor, Towson. No website listed.

Brian Charles Vaeth, Nottingham; vaethforgov.com.

**U.S. House of Representatives - District 5**

**Democratic candidates:**

Steny H. Hoyer, Mechanicsville; hoyerforcongress.com. Hoyer has served as Congressman for the Fifth District since 1981 and is currently the minority whip.

Dennis L. Fritz, Waldorf; dennislfritz.com.

**Republican candidates:**

William A. Devine, Bowie; facebook.com/bill.devine.50.

Johnny Rice, Glenarden; facebook.com/johnnyriceforcongress.

**State Senator - District 22**

Paul G. Pinsky, a Democrat from University Park, is running unopposed for the District 22 State Senate seat, which he has held since 1994; senatorpinsky.org.

**House of Delegates - District 22**

**Democratic candidates:**

Tawanna P. Gaines, Berwyn Heights; tawannagaines.org.

Anne Healey, Hyattsville; delegatehealey.com.

Alonzo T. Washington, Hyattsville; alonzowashington.com.

Ashanti Martinez, New Carrollton; martinezformaryland.com.

Nicole A. Williams, Greenbelt; nicoleawilliams.com.

**Republican candidates:**

Winnie Obike, Hyattsville; facebook.com/WinnieObike.

In the House of Delegates, there are five candidates running for three seats on the Democratic side, including all three incumbents - Gaines, Healey and Washington. Healey has served District 22 in the House of Delegates since 1991, Gaines since 2001 and Washington was first elected in 2014 after being appointed to fill a vacant seat. Martinez and Williams are both running for the

first time. Obike, the only candidate on the Republican side, is a current Ph.D. candidate at the University of Maryland.

**Prince George’s County Executive**

**Democratic candidates:**

Angela Alsobrooks, Upper Marlboro; angelaalsobrooks.com. Alsobrooks is the Prince George’s County State’s Attorney.

Sam Bogley, Bowie; no website listed.

Billy Bridges, Cheltenham, bridges2018.wixsite.com/mysite.

Donna F. Edwards, Fort Washington; donnaforprincegeorges.org. Edwards is a former Congresswoman.

Lewis S. Johnson, Forestville; facebook.com/lewis.johnson.

Michael E. Kennedy, Upper Marlboro; nextcountyexecutive.com.

Paul Monteiro, Clinton; paulforprincegeorges.com.

C. Anthony Muse, Largo; museforprincegeorgescounty.com.

Tommie Thompson, Mitchellville; tommiemthompson.com.

**Republican candidate:**

Jerry J. Mathis, Fort Washington; voteforjerrymathis.com.

**County Council At-Large**

**Democratic candidates:**

Juanita Culbreath-Miller, Clinton; juanitamiller.org.

Mel Franklin, Upper Marlboro; melfranklin.net.

Calvin Hawkins, Bowie;

calvinhawkins.com.

Melvin Bernard Johnson, Hyattsville; melvinbernardjohnson.com.

Gerron Levi, Upper Marlboro; gerronlevi.com.

Julian Lopez, Suitland; votejulianlopez.com.

Karen Toles, Capitol Heights; karentoles.com.

Reginald J. Tyer, Upper Marlboro; facebook.com/reginald.tyer.

Jonathan White, Largo; jonathancwhite.com.

**Republican candidate:**

Felicia Folarin, Hyattsville; no website listed.

Democratic voters will choose from nine candidates to fill two County Council At Large positions.

**County Council - District 4**

Todd M. Turner, a Democrat from Bowie, is running unopposed for reelection in District 4. He has held the office since January 2015; turnerforcouncil.org.

**Judge of the Circuit Court - Circuit 7**

Tiffany H. Anderson, Robin Bright, Peter Killough, William Snoddy, Sean D. Wallace and Judy Lynn Woodall are all running unopposed for Judge of the 7th Circuit Court. Voters may choose up to all six judges.

**State’s Attorney**

**Democratic candidates:**

Aisha Braveboy, Bowie; aishabraveboy.com. Braveboy has

served in the Maryland House of Delegates.

D. Michael Lyles, Bowie; votemikelyles.com. Lyles currently serves as executive director for the Prince George’s County Human Relations Commission.

Victor Ramirez, Mount Rainier; victorramirez.com. Ramirez is in the Maryland House of Delegates.

**Clerk of the Circuit Court**

**Democratic candidates:**

Mahasin El Amin, Clinton; aminforclerk.com. Amin has worked as a legal aid attorney and is in private practice.

Adrian Jackson Howell, Glenn Dale; howell4clerk.com. Howell is a principal and founder of Howell & Associates.

Adrian Mason Orlando, St. Leonard; crowdpac.com/campaigns/385992/adrian-mason. Orlando has worked with the Federal Trial and Bankruptcy Court and the Prince George’s County Circuit Court.

Gloria McClam-Magruder, Clinton; facebook.com/Elect-Gloria-McClam-Magruder-Clerk-of-the-Circuit-Court-1909028625783888/?ref=py\_c. McClam-Magruder is a licensed child-care provider.

Bonita Maria Rabalais, Brandywine; crowdpac.com/campaigns/380555/bonita-rabalais.

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– Angela Alsobrooks

The Washington Post

Outside money funds a dishonest smear  
campaign in Prince George’s

Editorial Board June 7th

“THE CONTRAST could not be more stark between the campaigns of the  
two leading candidates for Prince George’s County executive”

“Angela D. Alsobrooks, the county’s top prosecutor since 2008, has raised money from thousands of county residents and is running a no-nonsense, substantive, grassroots effort”

“Donna F. Edwards, a former member of Congress, has mainly outsourced her campaign to a coalition of special interests (a super PAC, called We Are Prince George’s) that has injected nearly \$1 million since March into getting her elected.”

PAC organizers support policies that would:

★ “drive up construction prices — saddling county residents with higher costs and, probably, higher taxes”

★ “impose costs that would exclude many local and minority-owned businesses from bidding on large-scale contracts”

“Ms. Alsobrooks, who as state’s attorney is the county’s chief law enforcement officer, has an unblemished reputation for ethical conduct.”

By Authority: Friends of Angela Alsobrooks, Kimberly Seymour, Treasurer

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timely and provided a prime opportunity for the candidates to reveal their thinking about Prince George’s County veterans. Taken together, each candidate’s responses to questions, except for individual nuances, were similar in saying how each would remove bureaucratic roadblocks, establish priority support for general and mental healthcare, promote military-learned skills to civilian jobs, apply tax relief to veterans’ retirement income, provide transition training and education programs, ensure adequate home ownership opportunities and assist homeless veterans. Another recommendation that met with audience approval was to direct veterans, when possible, to programs that will help them recover from addiction and participate in job training to defeat homelessness, instead of expecting the courts to effectively address those issues.

Prince George’s County Commission for Veterans chair Kelvin Harris said it was beneficial to future veteran’s support to see the number of veterans who attended the event and their level of enthusiasm as the candidates addressed the issues. He said,

“A goal of the commission is to elevate, develop and promote new and existing programs and services for veterans and their families within Prince George’s County. It was encouraging hearing candidates’ responses to questions and showing appreciation and support for Prince George’s County veterans’ concerns.”

“The event at the post was addressing veterans’ issues and the post was following American Legion directives of being non-partisan. Seeing that the candidates were invited to participate regardless of political affiliation, the post was happy to host the event,” said Mike Moore, commander of Greenbelt American Legion Post 136. Moore, who was selected by Governor Hogan to serve on the Maryland Veterans Commission, said, “It appeared from the quality of questions put to the candidates and their responses that whoever is elected Prince George’s County Executive would be obliged to remember the forum and ensure veterans’ programs were a high priority of Prince George’s County government.”

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Rabalais is a former court clerk and legal assistant.

Denise Roberts, Lanham; deniserobertsforclerk.com. Roberts is a communications and media professional.

**Register of Wills**

**Democratic candidates:**

Toyin Fasakin, Capitol Heights; vote4toyinfasakin.com.

Cereta A. Lee, Upper Marlboro; ceretalee.com. Lee is the incumbent Register of Wills, and is seeking her fourth consecutive term in office.

**Judge of the Orphans’ Court**

There are three available seats and four candidates for Judge of the Orphans’ Court: Wendy Alise Cartwright of Mitchellville, Athena Malloy Groves of Bowie, Vicky L. Ivory-Orem of Greenbelt and Julius Terrell of Largo are all running on the Democratic ticket.

**Sheriff**

**Democratic candidates:**

Anthony Ayers, Bowie; ayers4sheriff.com.

Dave Grogan, Bowie; davegroganforsheriff.com.

Melvin C. High, Upper Marlboro; friendsofmelvinchigh.net. High is the incumbent.

Sylvester E. Jones, Sr., Accokeek; sylvesterjonesforsheriff.com.

Percy Reeder, Sr., Fort Washington; no website is listed.

Kendal Wade, Upper Marlboro; kendalwade.com.

**Central Committee At Large**

Voters are asked to select one candidate from each district to serve on the Democratic Central Committee.

District 21: Michelle Garcia of Beltsville and Riley Scott Williams of College Park.

District 22: Danny Schaible of Hyattsville.

District 23: Willow Emerson of Laurel and Cheryl Landis of Upper Marlboro.

District 24: Derrick L. Coley of Bowie, Chris Stevenson of Glenarden, Pat Thornton of Capitol Heights and Donjuan “DJ” Williams of Glenarden.

District 25: Sherma Jack Brisseau of Upper Marlboro and Kent

Roberson of Clinton.

District 26: Cynthia Lee Collins of Oxon Hill, Angela R. Jones of Fort Washington, Ladel Lewis of Oxon Hill and Nathaniel L. Wallace of Oxon Hill.

District 27: John D.B. Carr of Brandywine.

District 47: Donnie T. Arrington, Sr., of Hyattsville.

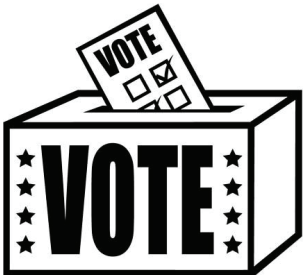
Additionally, District 22 residents, which includes Greenbelt, elect two people to the Committee that specifically represent their district. Only residents of District 22 vote in this race; it is not a countywide election. The five candidates for the two spots are Patrick Gallaher of Riverdale Park, Stephanie D. Hicks of Lanham, David Hiles of Hyattsville, Emmett V. Jordan of Greenbelt and Richard Schumaker of Greenbelt. Jim Wass of Riverdale runs unopposed on the Republican side.

**Board of Education**

The final race in this primary election – Board of Education for District 2 – is open to members of both major parties, as well as unaffiliated voters. Rob Anthony of New Carrollton, Lupi Grady of College Park and Joshua M. Thomas of College Park are the three candidates on the ballot.

Sources used for this article: League of Women Voters of Prince George’s County Voters Guide, Maryland State Board of Elections, Candidate Websites, The Washington Post and The Baltimore Sun.

*Chris Rogers-Spatuzzi is a University of Maryland journalism student and the summer intern for the News Review.*

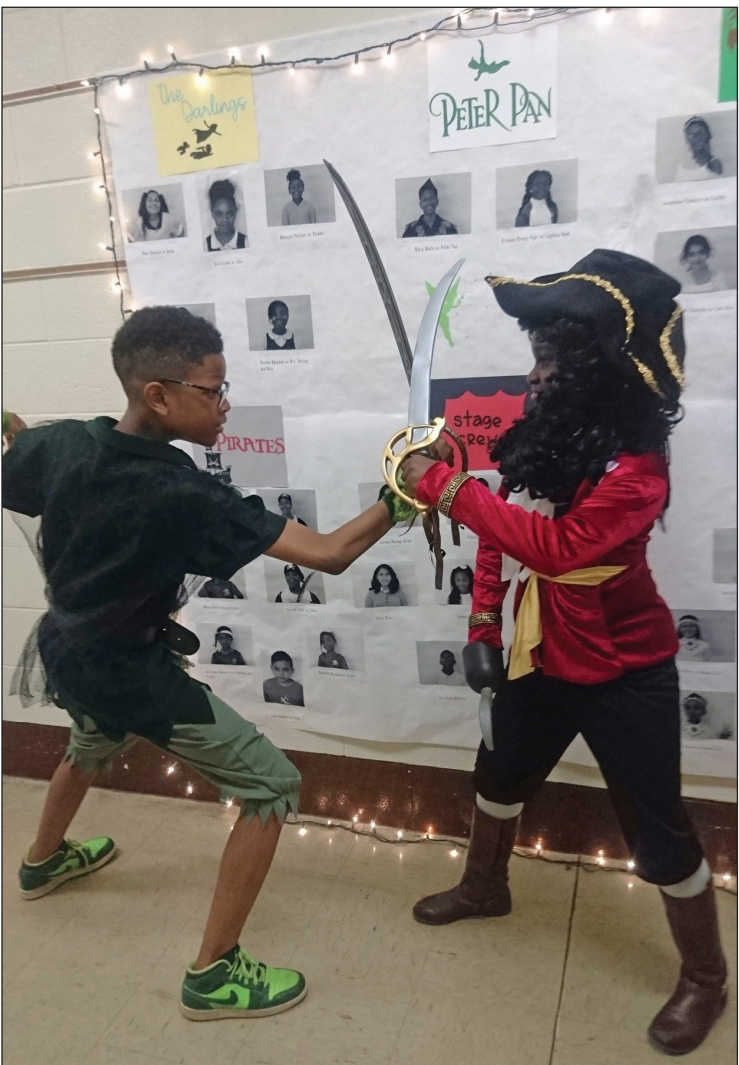


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winsome Wendy and Brianna Obeng-Agei (Grade 3) brilliantly plays the blustery, strutting, bloodthirsty Captain Hook. Amazingly, she accepted her role as Hook in March, two months prior to the show, replacing a previously cast sixth grader. Mahugbe Dansou (Grade 1) as the dog, Nana, stayed on hands and knees the entire performance. The cast even had a kindergartner, Monameh Ngupkam, as a pirate.

Dedicated staff deserve kudos. Producer Laura Erskine stressed how significant a role teachers played in developing the play, starting with musical auditions in September 2017, followed by rehearsals two days a week from December through May. Molly Cheng, director, who was also the sound technician, was ably assisted by Miya White, who also worked on set design. She and Tara Yates-Reeves produced terrific choreography.


Lauren Dustin’s and White’s clever set design started out with two beds for the Darling Nursery. When the curtain closes, bobbing pictures of clouds on sticks and misty air simulated a free flying space. Neverland had a backdrop of blue sky, hill and lagoon. Captain Hook’s domain was jagged blue spikes for water and a broad, brown plank for the pirate ship.



Maliq White (Peter Pan, Grade 6) has a sword fight with Brianna Obeng-Agei (Hook, Grade 5).

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA

**GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Thursday, June 21, 2018**

**GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

**Tour of GHI’s Former Landfill Site in the Common Area Behind the Administration Building – begins at 7.00 p.m.**

**GDC Stockholders’ Meeting – begins at 7.45 p.m.**

- Action on Minutes for Annual Stockholders’ Meeting held on June 1, 2017
- President’s Report re: GDC’s Operations for the Year 2017/18
- Election of Board of Directors for 2018-19

**GDC Open Session Meeting – begins after adjournment of GDC Stockholders’ Meeting.**

- Election of Officers for the 2018-19 Term

**GHI Open Session – begins after the GDC Open Session Meeting adjourns**

- Announcement of Executive Session Meeting Held on May 31, 2018
- Announcement of Executive Session Meeting Held on June 7, 2018
- Approve Minutes of Special Open Session Meeting Held on May 17, 2018
- Approve Minutes of Regular Open Session meeting on May 17, 2018
- Letter from Members re: GHI’s Former Landfill Site
- Proposed Joint GHI-City of Greenbelt Letter to be Sent to P.G. County Council re: Retaining the RPC Overlay as a Legacy Zone
- Direct the Woodlands Committee to Recommend Criteria Whereby Members May be Allowed to Establish Plantings in Common Areas

**GHI Executive Session – begins after the GHI Open Session Meeting adjourns**

- Approve Minutes of the Executive Session Meeting Held on May 17, 2018
- Member financial matters.
- Consider the Terms and Conditions of the Following Contracts in the Negotiation Stage:
  - Contract for Arboricultural Services – 2nd reading
  - Contract for 2018 Underground Utility Repairs and Drainage Improvements – 2nd reading
- Proposed Solar PVES Contract for the Administration Building Complex – 1st reading
- Review draft Mutual Ownership Contract and Special Needs’ Trust for a Prospective Member



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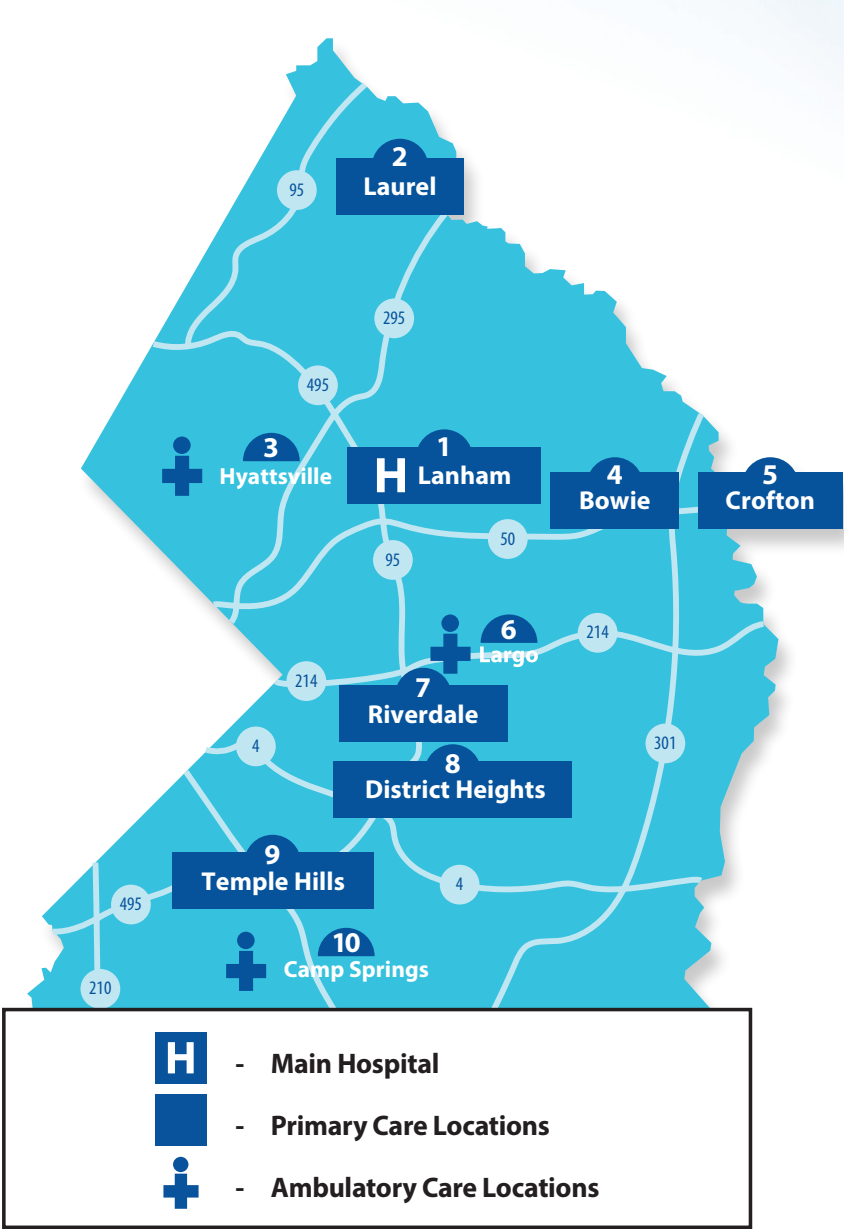
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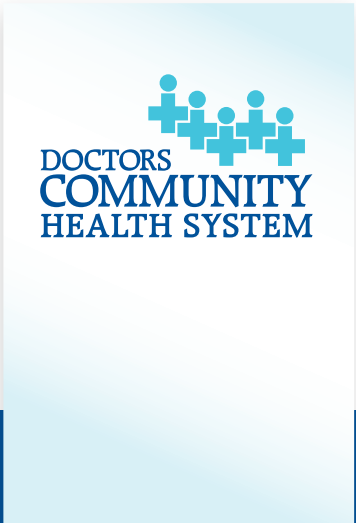
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# The Moons Will Take Charge Of New Deal Kitchen July 1

by Susan Harris

Starting July 1, the kitchen at the New Deal Café will be operated by local food entrepreneurs Michael and Leah Moon, so naturally Greenbelters are very curious about them. Here's a short introduction.

Michael grew up in Cleveland and attended Kent State, where he studied music. Since moving to this area, he's been active in the local music scene, supporting his music by working in fine-dining restaurants, first as a server and then training and managing front-of-house staff.

Leah grew up in Rochester, N.Y., and Cleveland and earned a Ph.D. in public policy from George Washington University. She works for social justice in several media, including academics, art-making and food. She is the artistic director of Tia Nina, a "feminist punk rock dance band." The band can be seen on Vimeo.

Avid cooks, they started their own food business in 2015 – the highly successful catering business, DC Vegan Catering, which quickly found its market with no advertising at all. The recipes, all plant-based, were developed and tested in the Moons' home kitchen and have proven popular with both vegans and meat-eaters.

As the Moons explained to New Deal Café members at a recent meeting, they believe in attracting people with great-tasting, accessible food that celebrates their Italian-American roots and nurtures the environment, animals and human health.



Michael and Leah Moon, new operators of the New Deal Café

In the spring of 2018 the Moons also opened their Pianta sandwich shop in the Tastemakers food court near Catholic University, where they serve northern Italian-inspired, plant-based comfort food. Its familiar flavors and textures are proving to be quite popular with students and others in the Brookland neighborhood.

It's their catering business and sandwich shop that will enable them to subsidize the operations of the New Deal, similar to how the Café's prior contractor subsidized his operations by catering Lebanese food from its kitchen.

The Moons, who live in Takoma Park, first heard about the New Deal Café through their Greenbelt friend Joe Harris, a musician who also organizes open mics and other Café events.

Harris explains, "I've known Mike and Leah for many years and have always been impressed by their creativity, dedication and professionalism. When it became apparent to me that the New Deal Café would likely pursue the contractor model, I reached out to them not just because they are experiencing great success cooking delicious food, but also because they're an excellent fit for the Greenbelt community. I absolutely look forward to this next chapter in the history of the New Deal Café."

*Susan Harris is on the Board of the New Deal Café.*

# Girl Scout Troop 27 Collects Two Carloads of Donations



Junior Girl Scouts from Troop 27 at their Social Justice Drive, from left: Beatrice Marcavitch, Iris Gayken, Sahana Chaudhuri, Eleanor Colarco, Kira Moore, Veena Raj

Girl Scout Troop 27's Social Justice Drive for Martha's Table was a huge success. The Greenbelt-based troop collected two carloads worth of donations, items ranging from diapers and toiletries to fresh and canned foods. The collection was held on May 12 as part of the Green Man Festival. The five Bronze Award candidates give a special thanks to everyone who donated, as well as a thank you to all of the members of Troop 27 and their parents.

The Girl Scout Bronze Award is the highest honor a Girl Scout Junior can achieve. Girl Scouts plan and complete a project that benefits the community. Eligible Bronze Award candidates must be in fourth or fifth grade (or equivalent), be a registered Girl Scout Junior and have completed a Junior Journey. Girl Scouts build a team, explore the community, choose a project, make a plan, put the plan in motion and spread the word. Bronze Award candidates make a lasting impact on their community.

The candidates first discussed activities that would help the community. They decided to do a drive for the homeless to support Martha's Table. Then, they re-

served a table at the Green Man Festival, at which the Girl Scout troop had participated in 2017. The planning and process were challenging, but all the Bronze Award candidates were happy with the outcome. The Junior Girl Scouts were presented their award at a ceremony on June 3.

Each of the candidates thought the drive went great. "I was happy to see how many people were willing to donate to help the less fortunate," said Aeryn Wesley-Hunt. "I was glad that my Girl Scout troop and I were able to make an impact on social justice," said Veena Raj. "It was cool to know that I could make the world a better place," said Sahana Chaudhuri. "I've seen lots of homeless and hungry people and I've always wanted to help them," said Beatrice Marcavitch. Olivia Nickel was also awarded the Bronze Award.

Leaders of Girl Scout Troop 27 are Caitlin McGrath, Jennifer Ontiveros, Jeffery Hunt and Aaron Marcavitch. The troop includes 15 scouts in fourth to sixth grades. They meet twice a month at the Community Center.

*This article was written in part by all the girl scouts who received a bronze award.*

# Father Rick Kramer Leaves St. Hugh's Parish for Texas

by Anne Gardner

On Sunday, June 10, St. Hugh of Grenoble parish said farewell to their much-loved assistant priest, Father Rick Kramer. He said his last Mass for the parish that morning, and parishioners were given the opportunity to say goodbye to Kramer and his family, and receive a blessing from him during a reception in Grenoble Hall.

Kramer and his wife Kathi served as ordained priests in the Episcopal Church before converting to the Catholic faith 12 years ago. They joined St. Hugh's parish in 2006 with their two sons, Adam and Sam. Their daughter Maggie was born in 2008 and baptized at St. Hugh's. They both became teachers in St. Hugh's school, and Kathi also served as director of religious education for several years.

Kramer was ordained a Catholic priest in 2012 for the Anglican Ordinariate, a canonical entity established by Pope Benedict XVI to minister to Anglicans who have become Catholic but who wish to retain their Anglican heritage. He then became assistant priest at St. Hugh's, as well as serving as the director of the family life office for the Archdiocese of Washington. Kathi joined the formation faculty at Theological College in Washington, D.C.

Earlier this year, their bishop asked the Kramers to move to



Before the farewell reception, the Kramer family poses in front of the altar at Saint Hugh's. From left: Father Walter Tappe, Sam, Father Rick Kramer, Maggie (in front), Kathi, Adam, and Deacon Desi Viktor

Houston, Texas, to undertake a new assignment for the Ordinariate. Kramer will be the director of Vocations and Clergy Formation for the Ordinariate, and Kathi will be the associate director of Pastoral Formation at St. Mary's Seminary, Galveston-Houston.

At the reception, speeches of appreciation and gifts were given to the Kramers by Father Walter Tappe, and members of the Knights of Columbus, the Ladies of Charity, the Sodality of Our Lady and the youth group. All agreed that the Kramer family will be sorely missed.

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My Point of View:

# Considering Creative Options For Helping Our Homeless

by Konrad Herling

About every three years or so, a few homeless people, sometimes just one person, will set up a place to rest and sleep in the town center or close by. Of course, we also have had folks who live in the woods, away from clear view, who may visit the Roosevelt Center to rest or possibly purchase a few things there. Our Social Services Department reaches out to these folks but there are times, regardless of the approach or effort, that homeless individuals remain unwilling to apply for what the department recommends, including temporarily living in the county's homeless shelter. I don't pretend to have an instant answer but do ask that you consider a bit of history from a late Greenbelt couple, the Baluchs, and what I learned from a visit to the Reno, Nev., campus for the homeless.

In 2008, the late Fred and Dorothy Baluch wrote to me, and I believe all of council, with ideas for concrete steps to address this complicated situation. The Baluchs, who identified homelessness as a national problem, suggested that Greenbelt could lead the way with creative solutions.

They suggested creating a new organization with representation from the City Council, Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI), the Recreation Department, Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB) and at least one home-

less person. They suggested a title for this group of "Home, Sweet Home"(hereafter "HSH").

The Baluchs urged that HSH rent a space in the Roosevelt Center, hire a custodian, food worker, security person and a counselor. Further, the site could serve as an address for residents, something critical to establishing communication with vital services and potential employers. Finally, they suggested that HSH residents could open a savings account at the Credit Union, earn cash by working with the building assistance staff and receive help from volunteers to teach folks GED subjects, computer skills, mechanical and technical skills, etc. Finally, the couple urged that HSH seek grants from city, county, state and federal sources with matching funds from commercial entities ranging from restaurants, hotels, stores, real estate companies and banks, who are required by 1977 legislation to play a meaningful role in their respective communities. The de-regulation of banks bill passed in March, 2018, may have removed that requirement.

This truly impressive array of goals reflected how committed the Baluchs were to our entire community and the homeless among us.

While some felt that the idea merited consideration, the community and council felt that it required more than our one city

to accomplish this. Several years ago, Councilmember Edward Putens urged that I help lead an effort, along with colleagues from Berwyn Heights, College Park and New Carrollton, the cities that make up our Four Cities Coalition, to explore the issue in greater depth.

We met several times over a two-year period. A good group of resourceful people joined us, which was helpful, but the major challenge was securing personnel from the various levels of government (municipal, county, state and federal) together at one time. County folks would say, "You need to touch base with the State," and state folks would urge that we connect with the feds, and so on. It was clear that making that happen would require a major effort in coordination.

In retrospect, I wish I had spent more time dedicated to pulling folks from the respective levels of government together. However, even if we had succeeded in that effort, I believe they would have suggested that this requires yet an even broader approach than what the Baluchs had proposed. Perhaps their proposal would address, at least partially, the needs of a city or a few contiguous towns; however, the majority of homeless come from other cities and towns in our area, requiring a broader

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# Greenbelt Jr. Makers Learn Technical Skills and More

by Leilani Nagalo

There are many MakerSpaces around the world. MakerSpace is a great program to learn sewing, wood burning, electronics, carpentry and origami. Most kids don't learn much about technical skills until high school and college meaning they have less time to learn important skills they may need for entry level jobs and beyond. The first time my parents heard about Makerspace, they rushed to sign up since they thought it would be a great experience if I pursued becoming an engineer. Jr. Makerspace is teaching kids from a young age how to solder and sew. Greenbelt Makerspace, located in Roosevelt Center, is open to children and adults.

Put simply, a makerspace is a center where people get together


and learn from one another. There is a group that meets on Saturdays and uses a program called Google Classroom, where members share projects, questions and documents.

*Susan Brown, who works at MakerSpace, explained that Leilani is a sixth grader who has also learned to make paper circuits, needle and wet felting and more. Some other skills junior makers may learn include soldering, circuits used in origami, adding microcontrollers to their work which involves coding, and beekeeping. "We are always looking for volunteers with a passion they want to share with some wonderful kids," said Brown. "Stop by and see them in action or visit them at work at <http://bit.ly/jrmakersjune2018>."*



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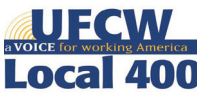





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2019 Budget

Quarrelsome Council Adopts \$29.9 Million Budget, 6 to 1

by Kathleen Gallagher

At its regular meeting on June 4, the Greenbelt City Council successfully but not entirely harmoniously met its deadline of adopting a Fiscal Year 2019 budget of \$29,983,200 by June 10. City Manager Nicole Ard had presented her proposed city budget at a council meeting on March 26. Subsequently, 11 public council worksessions were held with departmental and finance staff. Along the way, two public hearings were held. Revisions to the budget as originally proposed were made, based on council’s discussion and direction at the final budget review work-session on May 21.

At the time of the vote, all councilmembers were present and supported suspending the rules in order to both introduce and adopt the budget ordinance at the same meeting. Councilmember Edward Putens voted against adoption of the ordinance.

In most years, the final budget review worksession, while it may be quite lengthy, serves to resolve or at least clarify whatever differences of opinion may linger among councilmembers about what will be funded, with the result that the budget adoption itself goes forward with minimal further debate. Although it is not necessary to do so, the council traditionally has read and voted on the budget accounts where changes are being made, in order that individual members can, if they wish, vote against and express their opinion on specific items without having to take the extreme action of rejecting the entire budget.

This year, however, matters that had presumably been settled during the more than four hours of the May 21 final budget work-session were revisited at considerable length during the budget adoption, either because councilmembers disagreed on what tentative decisions had been made or because individuals wanted to reopen discussions that had been conducted earlier. These discussions were often contentious, with councilmembers interrupting one another and frequently talking over one another, sometimes making the discussion hard to follow.

As reported in James Giese’s detailed story on the May 21 worksession in the May 24 issue of this paper, a substantial part of that worksession was devoted to continuing discussion from earlier meetings of a departmental realignment proposed in the city manager’s budget. The issue was whether the animal control and community development programs should be moved out of the Planning Department and, if so, whether they should become part of a Community Ser-

vices Department with CARES or whether either or both programs should be placed elsewhere.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts was very concerned that the budget document implied that animal control would be kept in the Planning Department instead of being moved to the Police Department, as most councilmembers had wished. After a great deal of discussion, it was clarified that all councilmembers except Silke Pope wanted the program moved to the Police Department as soon as it was practical to implement the change. A majority of council also wanted the community development program, which includes both code and parking enforcement, to continue to be assigned to the Planning Department.

Revisiting another matter that had been discussed at the final budget worksession, Councilmember Colin Byrd made a motion to reinstate funding to significantly subsidize passes for city residents to use the University of Maryland shuttle bus. A tentative decision had been made at the worksession to eliminate the funding, since it appears that little use is being made of this benefit.

Mayor Emmett Jordan and Roberts supported Byrd’s motion, while Councilmembers Leta Mach, Judith Davis, Putens and Pope did not, with the motion failing 3 to 4. Supporters argued it was not much money. Those opposing said the program had been publicized for years, with ridership continuing to fall. Eventually, unallocated funds were identified to fund this program for another year, so the budget was unaffected.

Putens then brought up his own objections to how matters were left at the last worksession. He said he had wanted a commitment for funding for safety cameras in the area of Schrom Hills Park because Greenbelt East residents were concerned about increased crime in that area. There is more than \$30,000 in the budget for safety cameras. Other councilmembers pointed out that replacing and adding cameras in the city will be a multi-year project and that the recommendations of the Public Safety Advisory Committee, as well as capacity for staff to monitor and maintain the cameras all need to be taken into account before making decisions. Putens maintained that the funds were designated for Roosevelt Center, but other councilmembers disagreed.

The ordinance to adopt the budget passed on a 6 to 1 vote, with Putens voting “no” on the budget as a whole and on every individual account item that had been modified following the final budget worksession.

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Science. “I make murals, textiles and ceramics and I’ve been working to bring more art into the community.”

Chef Lou contributed to the celebration with his famous chocolate cake, specialty cookies and sweet tea. “This simple act of

love bringing together art and knowledge at a public bus stop might change someone’s life. Imagine a little girl reaching for a magazine that contains an idea that inspires her future,” said Chef Lou.

Springhill Lake Elementary Shines At Music Concert

by Anne Wallace

The Recorder Club had us at Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star. But the evening also featured Diverse Dance, the Step Team and Chorus. The Dancing Dads showed how to ask a lady to dance.

It was an especially proud night for Assistant Principal Dr. Ann Swann, the evening’s impresario. Swann will retire at the end of the school year after 45 years of service in the Prince George’s County School system.

Springhill Lake Elementary School is a K-5 elementary school located in the Franklin Park community in West Greenbelt.



Delegate Alonzo Washington poses with Dr. Ann Swann, who will retire at the end of the school year.

PHOTO BY ANNE WALLACE

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approach.

Part of the difficulty in addressing homelessness is the variety of causes: mental illness, drug addictions and the increased costs of housing and transportation. An often forgotten aspect is that a great number of affected residents are children. It’s clear that a comprehensive approach is required.

One city’s example of how they have addressed this issue in a comprehensive manner is Reno, Nev. The National League of Cities Conference of 2008 featured a tour of Reno’s campus for the homeless, which opened my eyes, mind and heart to what could be done in our county.

Several governmental agencies and religious organizations were involved with this effort. The campus consisted of six or seven buildings. One was dedicated to providing on-site housing to a person, couple or family for however long it was needed. Another building was dedicated to working with those with a broad variety of addictions, medical and

mental health issues. Yet another campus building provided meaningful, if sometimes challenging, opportunities for those who were homeless to interact with local police and social service personnel to develop a sense of trust in each other. There were three or four other services provided including an office which worked with individuals to take a look at transitional housing, as well as another service where staff would work with a homeless person to explore that person’s work history and what areas of employment could be pursued.

Campus staff would get in touch with potential employers, secure clothing for individuals going to an interview, conduct “rehearsal” interviews and then arrange for the actual interview. Reno’s city leaders emphasized the need to provide for transitional housing, as having a place that a person can call home is a key component as well. One area I found lacking was providing transportation needed to meet a

prospective employer.

I urge readers to take a look at city’s approach by reading [reno.gov/home/showdocument?id=8415](http://reno.gov/home/showdocument?id=8415).

I hope these observations, and those of others, will stimulate a healthy discussion about what can be done for the homeless in Greenbelt and Prince George’s County. The Baluch approach, used by the 27 municipalities, might be a smaller, one city or four cities type of approach. Perhaps a county campus site, similar to the Reno operation, providing a comprehensive approach, would give us the greatest return for our investment.

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2011	Sylvia Lewis
2010	James K. Giese
2009	Jean Cook
2008	**Leonie Penney
2007	**Barbara Likowski
2006	Marsha Voight
2005	Jay Remenick
2004	Patricia "Patti" Brothers Stange
2003	**Emory A. Harman
2002	Virginia Beauchamp
2001	Konrad Herling
2000	Leta Mach
1999	Rena Hull
1998	Lawrence Hilliard
1997	**Michael F. Vaccaro
1996	Paul Rall
1995	**Ottilie Van Allen
1994	**Mary Linstrom
1993	**Dorothy P. Pyles
1992	**Michael Burchick
1991	**Benjamin Rosenzweig
1990	Joyce Chestnut
1989	**Florence Holly
1988	**Bruce Bowman
1987	Sandra Barnes
1986	David Lange
1985	Mary Lou Williamson
1984	Jose Morales
1983	**Albert Herling
1982	**Charles Schwann
1981	**William Hoff
1980	**Clara Brandt
1979	**Ralph Noble
1978	**James Cassels
1977	**Leo Gerton
1976	**Kenneth Baker
1975	**Henry Fisher
1974	Elaine Skolnik and Alfred Skolnik **
1973	**Albert Cousin

\*\* Deceased

## Summer Food Safety

Foodborne illnesses can be prevented during summer months by properly handling perishable foods during travel and by using a food thermometer when grilling.

Perishable food items, including raw meat and poultry, need to be handled safely before they hit the grill and kept at 40°F or below to reduce bacterial growth. Perishable foods that are held above 40°F for more than two hours should not be consumed. In hot weather (above 90°F), food should be discarded if it sits out for more than one hour.

Pack beverages in one cooler and perishable food in another one. For a safe grilling experience use a food thermometer, paper towels or moist towelettes, two sets of cooking utensils (one set for raw items and another for cooked foods) and plates or containers for cooked items. Never place cooked foods on the same plate or container holding raw meat or poultry.

All leftovers should be refrigerated or put on ice within two hours after cooking, or one hour if the temperature is above 90°F. Leftovers should be consumed within three to four days once refrigerated.

For more information, call the USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline at 1-888-674-6854, Monday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., or email or chat at AskKaren.gov.

words, your nominee’s contributions or acts of kindness. Nominations are due by July 30. This year’s honoree will be the 46th since the award began in 1973.

All of us know individuals from Greenbelt who have distinguished themselves for their outstanding volunteer service to the community. Rarely do they receive the recognition they deserve. History indicates that many of Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizens have been nominated several times before their selection. We know we can count on you to keep this one of Greenbelt’s special events!

Bob Zugby, Chair  
Outstanding Citizen  
Selection Committee

## Thanks

Last Sunday I enjoyed having lunch with my husband and Barbara Havekost at the Silver Diner in Beltway Plaza. When we went to pay for the meal we were told that someone had already paid the bill for us and had left. When we first arrived we had remarked that we didn’t recognize any of the other diners in the restaurant.

Since the identity of the generous person is completely unknown to us it seems that the only way we can express our thanks is through a letter to the Greenbelt News Review. So please, whoever you are, know how happy we were to receive this unexpected generosity. We carried a warm feeling with us the rest of the day. We will pay it forward.

Sylvia Lewis

## Historic Ridge Road

Thanks for the story. When will there be additional articles on historic roads in the Greenbelt area?

Carol Nezzo

Editor’s Note: There are several more stories on historic roads by James Giese which we will print over the coming weeks.

## Unpaved Section Of Ridge Road

Thank you James Giese for a most interesting article. I am always interested to know more about Greenbelt’s historical sites since I have been living here for the last 33 years. Thank you News Review.

Amina Khalifa

## Learn to Fish At the Refuge

On Tuesday, June 19 from 9 to 10 a.m. children ages 5 to 12 can learn the proper techniques of fishing and the types of species found on the Patuxent Research Refuge while having fun. Equipment is provided and sunscreen, hats and water bottles are recommended.

Public programs at the refuge are free although advance registration is required by calling 301-497-5887. For more information visit fws.gov/refuge/Patuxent. The Visitor Center is on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 197.



## Clarification

In the June 7 issue of the News Review we printed a story on the unpaved portion of Ridge Road. We published the article to give Greenbelt residents an appreciation for some of the early history of this area. We would like to thank Chrystal Jones, the owner of the property adjacent to the road pictured in the article, for explaining her understanding that the unpaved road is her private driveway. Jones said that the “unpaved part of Ridge Road is directly next to the water tower and runs along the back of the Boxwood neighborhood through the trees adjacent to 300 Ridge Road which was established in 1952.”

She also commented that “plenty has changed” in the last 100 to 150 years but “one thing that was here was the Furey’s Farm and sawmill and access by dirt (red clay) road to the top of the ridge.”

According to Jones the Fureys have been on the property since 1908 or 1909 but the homestead was built as early as 1868. She clarified that “the city limits, road right-of-way and the Jones property line are all the same line, so no part of the unimproved road is on any unincorporated property.” Finally, she said there are two parts of the unimproved road that leads from Ivy Lane to Lastner, divided into upper and lower segments. Parts of the upper, and all of the lower, have been maintained by the Furey-Jones owners for at least the past 30 to 50 years.

We strongly urge our readers not to trespass on any private property.

## Council Can Do More

This is a response to the article “Council Commits to Working with ‘Stop This Train,’” by Kathleen Gallagher, published in the June 7 edition of the Greenbelt News Review.

According to Gallagher, at the worksession held on May 30 the Greenbelt City Council committed to working with the Bowie-based organization Stop This Train. Stop This Train has been

doing great work, but the council can do more to stop the maglev train project (“the Project”).

Mayor Emmett Jordan said the purpose of the worksession was to discuss strategies for stopping the Project. At the meeting we asked the Council to take the following actions: (1) hire a law firm that has experience working with the National Environmental Policy Act; (2) reach out to elected officials from the other communities impacted by the Project; and, (3) invite our federal, state and county legislative teams to a Greenbelt City Council meeting to show unified opposition to the Project. The third item was effective at stopping the alignments proposed for Bowie; at the September 5, 2017, meeting of the Bowie City Council, city councilmembers, members of the General Assembly and County Councilmember Todd Turner all spoke out against the train in its entirety.

We agree that an effort should be made to organize a meeting of all municipalities, homeowner associations and other organizations that would be impacted by the Project. In addition to our work in Greenbelt, we have already been working to organize opposition to the Project in communities such as Beacon Heights, Riverdale Park, New Carrollton, South Laurel and Linthicum.

We now need the Council to draw officials from our federal, state, and county legislative teams to a Greenbelt City council meeting to show unified opposition to the Project.

Brian and Donna Almquist  
Greenbelt Advocates for Environmental and Social Justice

## Anti-Maglev Claims Lack Credibility

The letter “Maglev Threatens Communities” by Greenbelt Advocates for Environmental & Social Justice (GAESJ) in the May 31 issue reveals erroneous premises opponents keep repeating about the proposed maglev: that the maglev will not alleviate traffic; will be under-utilized; and that “it will not serve intra-regional traffic.”

Maglev opponents’ claims lack credibility. GAESJ says funds should instead be used for mass transit projects. Funding of maglev in no way takes funds away from local transit projects. The

maglev project is not a Washington, D.C. region mass transit project. It is to carry riders between large cities along the northeast corridor (D.C., Baltimore, Philadelphia, Wilmington, NYC and perhaps to Hartford and Boston) with stops at the largest airports. Transportation studies by state transit agencies and marketing firms specializing in transportation show there is indeed a market for rapid rail transportation between large U.S. cities. These funded studies provide much more credibility than the speculations of ‘NIMBY’ maglev opponents working from their Greenbelt and Bowie basements.

GAESJ states that the “Maglev project has no bearing on widening of highways. These are separate and unrelated proposals.” Of course they are separate, but they are not unrelated. All modes of transportation are related and each mode, option or choice people have available and use (when, how often, where, purpose, etc.) impacts the others. With population and travel projected to increase along the east coast in coming decades new modes of transportation will be needed, otherwise we will continue to have more traffic, congestion and delays on our existing infrastructure and airports.

GAESJ keeps alleging that the maglev train will use electricity from conventional fossil fuel (finite) sources. If the train were up and running today, tomorrow or next year, yes it would. However, the maglev will not be operating until the late 2020s. By the 2030s it’s expected that Maryland’s (and maglev’s) electricity usage will be primarily from renewable sources.

A more recent scare tactic maglev opponents are trying out is to claim that the maglev will disturb gravesites and cemeteries. This is false. The train will be tunneled 80 to 110 feet below the surface along the tunneled portions (including Beacon Heights).

Robert Snyder

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# Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, [www.greenbeltmd.gov/police](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police)  
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

**Assault**  
June 2, 5:11 p.m., 6900 block Hanover Parkway. A man at a party was approached by as many as four men who threatened him and then began to punch and kick him. He refused medical treatment for minor injuries.

June 3, 10 p.m., 9200 block Edmonston Road. A man with occupants in his car was driving down the street when the vehicle in front of them kept braking and positioning their vehicle so the first driver could not pass. He flashed his high beams to get him to pull over. Instead, the second driver exited his vehicle, holding a handgun. The man with occupants in his car fled and contacted police.

**Theft**  
June 1, 1:30 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Lane. A tire was taken from a secured bicycle.

June 4, noon, 9200 block Springhill Lane. A drain-cleaning machine was taken from a maintenance room.

**Fraud**  
June 5, 3:04 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Court. A woman received a text message about a job offer, for which she would receive checks to purchase work supplies from a vendor. She deposited the checks from this employer into her account and discovered the checks were fraudulent. She suffered no loss.

**Burglary**  
June 3, 10:13 a.m., 7700 block Hanover Parkway. A 31-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with first and fourth degree burglary by officers who responded to a report of a man who entered a residence by way of a closed sliding glass door. The person in the residence screamed and the man fled on foot. An officer located a person nearby who matched the description. He was positively identified, arrested and transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

**Vandalism**  
May 31, 9:38 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace. A woman answered a knock at her door and was confronted by three men who accused her grandson of robbery. The woman said she had no grandchildren and would call the police for them. She then heard the sound of glass breaking and discovered that someone had thrown her patio table through

her sliding glass door. The men then fled on foot. They are described as being black, one with closely cropped hair, wearing a yellow shirt and jeans; another with hair in blonde dreadlocks, also wearing a yellow shirt and jeans; and the third man wearing a grey hooded sweatshirt and jeans.

June 2, 9:15 p.m., 99 Centerway. A bathroom door at the Youth Center was vandalized.

June 4, 1:05 a.m., 6200 block Springhill Court. Mailboxes inside the lobby area of an apartment building were vandalized.

June 4, 9 a.m., 20 Crescent Road. A fire extinguisher box in an apartment hallway was vandalized.

June 4, 12:43 p.m., 6800 block Megan Lane. The glass panel of the front door to a residence was broken. The damage was observed April 15 but was reported June 4.

**Vehicle Crime**  
A 37-year-old nonresident man was arrested in the 6200 block Springhill Court and charged with theft, rogue and vagabond, and possession of burglary tools by officers who responded to a report of a tampering in progress. A vehicle observed leaving the scene hit a median curb in an attempt to flee and became disabled. Four tires and rims that had been taken from a nearby vehicle were located inside his vehicle, along with tire jacks and lug wrenches. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

One vehicle was stolen, a 2015 Mazda 6 that had been left unlocked with the engine running. It was recovered the next day, June 5, in the 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace.

Three thefts from vehicles were reported. Both license plates were taken from each of two vehicles, Md. 2CF1017 from the 6500 block Lake Park Drive and Va. UYM9413 from the 5900 block Cherrywood Lane.

A woman's purse was taken in the 7600 block Greenbelt Road, where she was pumping gas at Exxon when the rear passenger window was broken to gain access to the purse.

One case of vandalism was reported on May 5 in the 8000 block Mandan Road, where four tires on a vehicle were punctured.

## Upcoming Events At The New Deal

Sunday, June 17, 10:30 a.m. to noon, Deaf Group: Weekly Brunch Meeting. Newcomers welcome. 6 to 8 p.m., Fez Tones Hafla. An evening of live Middle Eastern music and dance.

Monday, June 18, 7 to 9 p.m., Reel and Meal at the New Deal: The Nuns, the Priests and the Bombs is a movie about Plowshares activists who walked peacefully into a shoot-to-kill zone at U.S. nuclear weapons facilities to draw attention to the worldwide nuclear arms threat. Two of the activists involved will be present for the post-film discussion.

Tuesday, June 19, 7 to 9:30 p.m., Rising Star Karaoke. Hosted by the dynamic Kelley Hildebrand.

Wednesday, June 20, 7 to 9 p.m., Pub Quiz. Bring a team or form one on the spot. A dollar from each participant will be collected, to become the prize for the winning team.

Thursday, June 21, noon to 2 p.m., Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft. 7 to 10 p.m., Open Mic with Joe Harris.

Friday, June 22, 2:30 to 4 p.m., Music Makers Jam Session. All ages and experiences are welcome to participate. 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., Daryl Jr. Cline Band. R&B soul with a rockin' edge.

Saturday, June 23, 1 to 5 p.m., Jazz Jam with Greg Meyer. Bring on a jazz groove and join in this community jam session. 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., Karikatura. With bright horns and socially conscious lyrics, this NYC band delivers a blend of transglobal soul.

Friendly reminder: during the first week of July the New Deal Café will be opening at 5 p.m.

## City Notes

Animal Control staff reports an injured baby deer was transported to rehab, one turtle was removed from the skate park and two injured kittens were found.

Street Maintenance/Special Details crews transported 16 tons of stone dust for the pathway at Buddy Attick Lake Park in preparation for Fourth of July.

Horticulture/Parks crews started making repairs to the raised flower beds at Green Ridge House, replaced the broken swing seat in the Canning Terrace playground and pulled weeds at Buddy Attick Lake Park and at the 8 Court of Southway playgrounds.

Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability staff met with a representative from the Anacostia Watershed Society to discuss a partnership with their Watershed Stewards Academy, received the Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week proclamation from Mayor Jordan at a city council meeting and started clearing an area where chestnut trees will be planted next year.

Seventeen individuals with Warm Nights Families Shelter enjoyed a complimentary shower access at GAFC this week.

Greenbelt CARES staff reports that Older American Month 2018 celebrations have concluded at Green Ridge House. Several residents participated in this year's events, which included a Nature Walk and Yoga Session at Buddy Attick Park, a Salad Recipe Competition, IHOP brunch, Italian Ice Social, Puppy Therapy, Reflexology Massages and a Lunch and Learn – Colorectal Health Education workshop provided by Doctors Community Hospital.

# Police Officer Honored For Helping Turtle

A Compassionate Action Award is on its way from PETA to Greenbelt's 2017 Police Officer of the Year Sharnise Hawkins-Graham for safely guiding a turtle across the road during a rainstorm. Around midday on Sunday, June 3, a concerned citizen flagged down Hawkins-Graham and alerted her to a turtle who was making its way across the street in the pouring rain. The officer, who was off-duty at the time, jumped out of her car and stood guard over the turtle – inspiring a family driving by to take out an umbrella and assist her in relocating the little animal to a wooded area nearby.

"Officer Hawkins-Graham didn't hesitate to do her part to give a turtle a boost in the right direction and help keep the animal safe from passing cars," says PETA Vice President Colleen O'Brien. "Local residents are fortunate to have such a compassionate officer who – whether on or off duty – acts swiftly to help those in need, and PETA hopes this story will inspire people everywhere to do the same."

PETA – whose motto reads, in part, that "animals are not ours to abuse in any way" – offers tips for helping wildlife on its website, including keeping an emergency rescue kit on hand and properly disposing

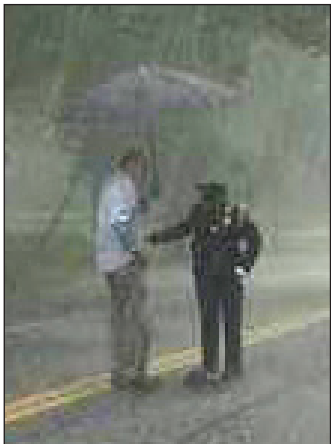


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**Officer Hawkins-Graham helps a turtle cross Crescent Road in a rainstorm, with the help of a passerby with an umbrella.**

ing of trash, as well as a video with information about helping turtles cross the road safely. Even if their shells are crushed, turtles can remain alive for days or even weeks in agonizing pain, which is why PETA advises people to pull over if they see a turtle on the road and help guide the animal in the direction he or she was headed. Never leave an animal to suffer – if you see a turtle that has been hit by a car, always check to see if the animal is okay. If a turtle has been injured, secure veterinary care immediately. PETA is sending Hawkins-Graham a framed certificate and a box of vegan cookies.



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**Snapping turtle or surfer dude?**

## NOMINATION FORM

### Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen

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# Sports

## Green and Black Fight for the Win

by Jude Maul

In addition to giving us dismal weekends recently, the rainy weather has wreaked havoc on the Babe Ruth Jr. baseball schedule this year. This past week saw numerous cancellations resulting in an impromptu rescheduling of a Greenbelt Green versus Greenbelt Black game on June 6. The game had all the makings of a civil war with brother coaching against brother and classmate playing against classmate, yet both teams came out focused on playing baseball, unphased by their familiarity with their opponents. The only awkwardness may have been felt by the numerous parents sitting in the stands trying to root for their players without offending the other players, many of whom most of the parents there had watched grow up on the field through Greenbelt Little League Baseball.

A first inning hit by Mathew Baravechia glided perfectly between the third baseman and shortstop and got the Green team off to a promising start, but strong defense by Marcus Jones in center field and a smoothly fielded grounder by George Ford ended their early chances to move ahead. Black shut down Green in the first inning with a quick series of plays including a bullet right back up the middle by A.J. Rizzo fielded for the put out by starting pitcher Mark Franklin for Green. Black starting pitcher Jackson Maul got into his groove with a three up, three down second inning, striking out two Green players to end the inning. Overall, Maul pitched solidly for three innings with five strike outs and only two runs given up. In the bottom of the second, Black really turned on the heat beginning with an in-field hit by Jones that he ran out, just beating the throw from shortstop and showing exceptional speed. Jones quickly stole second base then scored from second on the next pitch in a heads up play which was hit back to the pitcher and fielded for a put out at first. After two innings Black had a solid lead and did not look back.

Green played solid defense. Bryce Jones caught an in-field pop up and then doubled off George Ford who was just a bit too far off first base, but Black



Anu Kalnad of Greenbelt Green at the plate and Tommy Hill of Greenbelt Black prepare for a pitch to be delivered with runners on base.

was relentless in the bottom of the inning taking advantage of walks and a few well-placed hits by Logan Beasley and a double by R.J. Thornburg. In the top of the third Green threatened again loading the bases with two walks and a hit but Black held off the

offensive with a textbook 3-2 put out at home from the first basemen to the catcher Tommy Hill covering home. Both teams continue in action this week as does the Senior Babe Ruth team which is comprised of players ages 16 to 18.



A hummingbird hovers by a bird feeder.

### Babe Ruth Baseball

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June 20, Green vs. Camp Springs, 8:30 p.m.  
**Senior Babe Ruth (18U)**  
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June 21, vs Camp Springs, 6:30 p.m.



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# A Play Grows in Greenbelt City Revives New Deal Show

by Melissa Sites

Greenbelt Recreation and The Greenbelt Museum will present The Federal Theatre and Greenbelt, a program of scenes and songs, followed by a one-act play, What Are You Going To Be? by Betty Smith. The program will feature historical commentary by director Chris Cherry.

The Greenbelt Players mounted their production of Smith’s one-act play, obtained from the Federal Theatre Project of the Works Progress Administration, on June 23, 1938. They were an adult group, including many town leaders, but this was their first production including children. According to the June 28, 1938 review in the Greenbelt Cooperator (which later became the News Review), the play “presents a vivid picture of the struggles of a family striving to make the best of lean depression years.” The title refers to a game the children play, but the question also alludes to the dignity of work when the family’s father hasn’t had a job for three years. The last living cast member, Marilyn Maryn Spiegel, will be a guest at the show. She played the youngest child, a character who doesn’t appear in the novel.

Betty Smith was still unknown in 1938, but this was the same writer who later became famous for her 1943 international best-seller, A Tree Grows In Brooklyn. Smith had “a real gift for capturing children and the little details that make the entire atmosphere come to life,” said Cherry. This one-act play is an early version of her famous novel, and is the first appearance of Francie Nolan, the novel’s protagonist. Unearthing this play at the Library of Congress was very exciting, because Cherry found no mention of it in any scholarly biographies of Smith. “This piece of Greenbelt history is even more significant than they knew at the time,” Cherry pointed out.

Cherry began planning and researching for the 80th anniversary in 2016. “I wanted to identify milestones in Greenbelt history that we would celebrate. Because we have such an extensive newspaper archive going all the way back to the founding of the town, we could research the history of the Greenbelt Players, and then find the play at the Library of Congress.”

Cherry’s archival research has unearthed buried treasures linked to Greenbelt’s past. Leaning on a Shovel is a satirical answer to opponents of the Works Progress Administration. Cherry located a pencil manuscript of the music at George Mason University and then found the lyrics at the Li-

brary of Congress. Matching up lyrics and music that had long been separated also resulted in The TVA Song, a piece from a living newspaper called Power because the TVA generated electricity. Sing for Your Supper, a satirical review that makes fun of itself and its opponents, was the last musical playing when the Federal Theatre Project closed. Another fun piece will be the Gilbert and Sullivan trio, Three Little Maids Are We, set to a swing beat.

One-Third of a Nation was a hugely successful example of the Project’s experimental theatrical format called a living newspaper, which presented current issues through drama, often quoting the public record. In 1937, in his second inaugural address, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt said, “I see one-third of a nation ill-housed, ill-clad, ill-nourished. ... The test of our progress is not whether we add more to the abundance of those who have much; it is whether we provide enough for those who have too little.” This piece about slums and substandard housing spurred a debate about where the people who live in slums came from. Cherry points out that many “lines are taken right out of the congressional record – verbatim! The senators were upset!” The New York production of One-Third of a Nation was seen by over 200,000 people, and was then produced in other cities and made into a 1939 Hollywood movie.

For the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC), the Federal Theatre Project presented an interactive murder mystery, an early experiment in audience participation. This farcical play was performed in 258 camps, many of which were far away from town so entertainment had to be brought in or self-generated. The producers would contact the camp in advance to set up participation so that one of the men from the camp would portray the accused, giving a series of hilarious testimonies.

Cherry was eager to present pieces from the Federal Theatre Project because they “help Greenbelters connect better with the town’s New Deal heritage, and expose them to the arts and



"Leaning on a shovel" skit from the original 1939 Federal Theatre production of Sing For Your Supper. The song has been reconstructed for the upcoming Greenbelt show.

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cultural offerings here.” Cherry suggested that Greenbelt’s support for arts programs is a manifestation of the New Deal emphasis on public art, because Greenbelt today is a product of this history and continues that legacy. Cherry stated, “Just researching the Federal Theatre Project is very inspiring because it was an explosion of creativity both in terms of the artistic output and the ingenuity, and created a nationwide theater. What Hallie Flanagan (head of the Project) accomplished in four years is staggering,” especially because the Project was a target of early red scare activities.

Tickets for The Federal Theatre and Greenbelt can be purchased from the Community Center business office at 301-397-2208. Early purchase is advised. Show times are 7 p.m. on Saturday, June 23 and 3 p.m. on Sunday, June 24. Cherry pointed out that this is “a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to trace the development of Smith’s work,” with the Old Greenbelt Theatre’s free showing of the 1945 film, A Tree Grows In Brooklyn, featuring two Academy Award winners, on Monday, June 25 at 7 p.m.



# New Boxes Supply Papers At Additional City Spots

by Cathie Meetre

The News Review announces that starting this week there are three additional drop-front, green newspaper boxes in which eager readers can find a current copy of the newspaper each Thursday after about 5 p.m. This brings to 10 the number of boxes throughout the city. Thanks to Ray Zammuto and Amina Khalifa who made this happen.

The first new box serves the University Square apartment complex and is located at the bus stop at the intersection of Westway and Lakeside Drive. A second box nearby is at the bus stop at the intersection of Greenbelt Road and Lakecrest Drive.

News Review high fives go to the management of the International House of Pancakes which has agreed to host the third box by its front door in Greenway Center. Why not pick up a copy of the News Review to read with your short stack and coffee?

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